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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 61, line 1, with the following amended paragraph:

It is apparent from fig. 8 that B1 is able to self-associate as well as to interact with ~~TRAF2~~ TRAF-1. The level of interaction appears to be about the same as its self-association. No direct interaction with TRAF-2 or 1AP1 is observed.